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# NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

### FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

A filing date has been accorded to the above-identified nonprovisional application papers; however, the following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

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• Figure(s) 8b and 10a-10b described in the specification.

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I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

Applicant is advised that generally the filing fee required for an application is the filing fee in effect on the filing date accorded the application and that payment of the requisite basic filing fee on a date later than the filing date of the application requires payment of a surcharge (37 CFR 1.16(e)). To avoid processing delays and payment of a surcharge, applicant should submit any balance due for the requisite filing fee based on the later filing date being requested when submitting the omitted items(s) and the petition (and petition fee) requesting the later filing date.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS <u>TWO MONTH</u> PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b)**. In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (*i.e.*, the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any

omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabeled drawing figures, is required. A copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink should accompany with any drawing changes. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



**PATENT** 

Docket No.: P-8223.02US

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Benoit Marchal

Group Art Unit:

Application No.:

10/749,595

Examiner:

(Not Yet Assigned)

Filed:

December 31, 2003

Due Date:

For:

Gastroelectric Stimulation for Influencing Pancreatic Secretions

#### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8**

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# TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- Response to Notice Of Omitted Items of Nonprovisional Application
  Copy of Notice Omitted Items of Nonprovisional Application Part 2

- Petition Under 37 CFR 1.182
  Petition Fee of \$130.00 37 CFR 1.17(h)
- Return Postcard
- Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time.
- The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 in the amount of \$130.00 for the surcharge fee. A duplicate of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.
- Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Transmittal with regard to this filing. A duplicate of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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# RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEMS IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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Sir:

Responsive to the Notice Omitted Items of Nonprovisional Application mailed May 24, 2004, please find enclosed the following documents to complete the filing requirements for the above-identified application:

- 1. Response to Notice Of Omitted Items of Nonprovisional Application;
- 2. Copy of Notice Omitted Items of Nonprovisional Application Part 2;
- 3. 11 Sheets of Corrected Formal Drawings (containing Figs. 1-10b):
- 4. Petition Under 37 CFR 1.182 and Petition Fee of \$130.00 37 CFR 1.17(h).

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 in the amount of \$130.00 for the Petition fee.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 13-2546.

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